

## Minutes

Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors - Tompkins County SWCD  
May 11, 2015  
170 Bostwick Road, Ithaca, NY 14850

Present: Jim Dennis, David McKenna, Dan Carey, Alan Teeter, Aaron Ristow  
Staff: Jon Negley, Eugene Aarnio  
Guest: None  
Agencies: None

Dan Carey, Chair, called the meeting called to order at 12:33 pm. A quorum was present.

There were no additions to the agenda.

D. McKenna moved to approve the minutes as presented. J. Dennis seconded and was not present at the previous meeting. No discussion. (Alan Teeter joined meeting at this time) Carried.

A. Ristow joined the meeting at this time

The Ag and Markets Report was presented with updates on year 10 AEM reporting and beginning of AEM year 11. AgNPS contracts updates were given. The NYS budget EPF funding increased to Districts for the 2016 fiscal year. NYS Envirothon updates were given with dates of Envirothon competition. Soil Health grants are due June 15<sup>th</sup>. WQIP grants through DEC for water quality improvement projects are available until mid-July.

The NRCS gave their written report and is attached. EQIP Streambank RFP updates were given to the board. Updates on Long-Eared Bat and repercussions to forestry practices funded through federal programs were given.

A. Teeter moved to approve the financial reports for the month of April. D. McKenna Seconded. Opening and closing of new bank accounts were discussed. The accounts to be closed were FLOWPA 9-10, 10-11, 11-12, Jerry Dell, Cal Snow, Kirby Farms, Vision Quest and opening account for FLOWPA 13-14. Engineering costs for the Kirby contract still need to be paid to JESS engineering and the District will need to discuss with JESS Engineering and Kirby Farms about who is responsible to pay (~\$1,000). Motion Carried.

Vouchers were read aloud by D. McKenna (Treasurer), J. Dennis moved to approve vouchers presented, A. Teeter seconded. Carried.

Staff/Project Reports - Angel Hinickle gave a report of work she has been doing this past month. She reported on progress for the Enfield Creek Stream Restoration Project funded through WQIP funds and also the EQIP Streambank projects funded through NRCS. Jon Negley updated the Board on his vacation scheduled through Memorial Day.

J. Dennis moved resolution #2015-31 – Approval of hiring seasonal intern for Hydroseeding program. Seconded by D. McKenna. Carried.

### Old Business

J. Dennis moved to appoint (based on nominations from the District Manager) Dave McKenna and Alan Teeter to the Finance Committee, with Dave McKenna acting as chair of the committee. Seconded by D. Carey. Carried.

D. McKenna moved resolution # 2015-26 – Submission of Treasurer's Report. J. Dennis Seconded. Carried.

J. Dennis moved resolution # 2015-27 – appointment of qualified candidate to Senior Account Clerk position. Seconded by D. McKenna.

Resolution #2015-28 – adoption of fiscal policies was tabled until next meeting.

New Business

D. McKenna moved to approve Resolution # 2015-29 (acceptance 2015 Hydrilla Plant Community Monitoring contract with Racine-Johnson). Seconded by A. Teeter. Carried.

D. Carey moved to approve resolution # 2015-30 (2015 Hydrilla Water Quality/chemical testing contract). D. McKenna seconded. Carried.

J. Dennis moved to approve resolution #2015-31 (Entering into contract with Tompkins County for \$200,000 to treat Hydrilla). A. Teeter seconded. Carried.

Resolution #2015-32 – (Entering into contract with City of Ithaca for \$100,000 to treat Hydrilla) was tabled until next meeting. J. Dennis moved, D. McKenna seconded. Carried.

D. McKenna moved to approve resolution #2015-33 (authorizing purchase of computer equipment and software). Seconded by J. Dennis. Carried.

D. Carey moved to adjourn at 2:30PM, Seconded by J. Dennis. Carried.

Next meeting date: June , 2015 8<sup>th</sup>, at 12:30 pm

Respectfully Submitted:

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Jonathan Negley, District Manager

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Dan Carey, BOD Chair